

Dr. Lloyd H. Smith, Jr., Named To President's Science Advisory Committee

LLOYD HOLLINGSWORTH SMITH, JR., M.D., has been appointed by President Nixon to the President's Science Advisory Committee for a four-year term.

Dr. Smith, who is associate editor of *CALIFORNIA MEDICINE*, is chairman of the Department of Medicine at the University of California, San Francisco, and is professor of medicine and physician-in-chief of the medical staff. He is president of the American Society for Clinical Investigation; president, Western Society for Clinical Research, and a member of a number of editorial boards.

The new appointee to the Science Advisory Committee was graduated in 1944 from Washington and Lee University, where in 1969 he was awarded an honorary Doctor of Science degree. He received his doctorate in medicine from Harvard Medical School in 1948.

Further training was taken at Massachusetts General Hospital where later he served as chief resident in medicine, assistant in medicine, and assistant professor of medicine at Harvard Medical School.

He also served as visiting investigator at Oxford University's Department of Biochemistry in England, and at The Karolinska Institute, Stockholm. In 1964 he came to the University of California as professor of medicine and chairman of the department.

The functions of the Science Advisory Committee on which Dr. Smith will serve until December 31, 1973, are, as set forth in November 1957, "to make scientific advice and analyses available when needed in the formulation of national policy." The committee recently has sought to further their objectives "to insure that science and technology contribute their maximum to the defense of the U.S. and the free world; to extend the recognition of science as a creative activity that augments man's dignity and understanding and affords him intellectual adventure of the highest order; to recognize that outstanding accomplish-



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ments in science appeal deeply to the hopes and aspirations of men everywhere and contribute to the prestige and good will of nations; to apply it more effectively to improve the health and welfare of people; to improve communications between government and civilian scientific efforts; and to promote international understanding and good will."

Established under the Eisenhower Administration, the committee consists of 16 to 18 scientists of varied backgrounds, including one behavioral scientist. Chairman is Dr. Lee A. DuBridge, former president of the California Institute of Technology. Members from California include Dr. Sidney Drell, Stanford Linear Accelerator Center; Dr. Murray Gell-Mann, professor of theoretical physics, California Institute of Technology, and Dr. Charles H. Townes, Department of Physics, U.C. Berkeley.

With this recent appointment, Dr. Smith will be attending meetings in Washington, where his immediate concerns will be medical research and health care needs.